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APPLICANT : Hideyasu Takato
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FOR : FOCUS DETECTING OPTICAL SYSTEM AND CAMERA
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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

SIR:

Prior to examination on the merits, kindly amend the above-identified application as follows:

In the Drawing

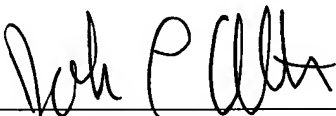
Kindly replace originally filed Figure 4 with replacement Figure 4 attached hereto.

Remarks

Replacement Figure 4 attached hereto has been amended to correctly locate the line depicting the optical path from the photographic lens 1 to the image sensor 3. No new matter is presented herewith and entry of replacement Figure 4 is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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